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SUBJECT: SHABAN DEVELOPMENTS: JUNE 19,19789

1. FOREIGN TROOP DEPLOYMENT: COLONEL LOUBARIS AND MILITARY GOVERNOR SINGA FLEW TO GBADOLITE ON JUNE 17 TO DISCUSS WITH PRESIDENT MOBUTU DEPLOYMENT PLANS FOR PAN AFRICAN FORCE. AT SAME TIME COLONEL LOUBARIS DISPATCHED MILITARY UNIT OF APPROXIMATELY 350-400 MOROCCAN AND TOGOLISE SOLDIERS TO LIKASI AND ABOUT 250 MOROCCAN TROOPS TO KOLWEZI. COLONEL LOUBARIS RETURNED FROM GBADOLITE THE SAME DAY, BUT NO DEPLOYMENT PLANS HAS YET BEEN ANNOUNCED. ALL BELGIAN UNITS REMAIN IN PLACE IN THE SOUTH SHABAN TOWNS.
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2. US FAIR FORCE TERMINATED ITS SUPPORT PROGRAM IN LUBUMBASHI ON JUNE 16. ONE C-5A ARRIVED ON FINAL DAY CARRYING 16 LANDROVERS AND FOUR 2-1/2 TON TRUCKS FOR THE MOROCCANS. TWO MOROCCAN C-130'S ALSO ARRIVED SAME DAY WITH TWO ADDITIONAL APC'S NUMBER OF MAC ALCE SUPPORT ESTIMATED THAT DURING THIRTEEN DAYS WHEN PAN AFRICAN

ARRIVING, US AND OTHER SUPPORT FLIGHTS HAD TRANSPORTED 1491 MOROCCANS 314 SENEGALSE, 105 IVORIANS 150 TOGOLESE, 47 GABONESE. TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT INCLUDED 100 JEEPS, 100 LAND ROVERS, 70 UNIMOGS, 30 TOW AND A HALF TON TRUCKS, 10 APC'S AND 15 AMBULANCES.

3. KOLWEZI RELIEF ACTIVITIES. FINAL TWO USAF SUPPORT FLIGHTS ON JUNE 16 BROUGHT 40 TONS OF RELIEF SUPPLIES, CONSISTING OF POWDERED MILK, MEDICINE, BLANKETS AND CLOTHING FROM GENEVA FOR KOLWEZI WAR VICTIMS. ALL

MOST ENTIRE SHIPMENT WAS SENT TO KOLWEZI ON JUNE 17 AND 18 ABOARD ABOARD BELGIAN C-130'S WHERE TWO NEWLY ARRIVED ICRC PERSONNEL FROM SWITZERLAND TOOK CHARGE OF DISTRIBUTION. MAIZE FOR RELIEF PROGRAM WHICH HAS BEEN PURCHASED BY ICRC FROM ZAMBIA, IS REPORTEDLY AT ZAMBIAN ZAIRIAN FRONTIER. ICRC REP STEINEMANN WILL BE VISITING GOMA AREA IN EASTERN ZAIRE IN NEXT FEW DAYS FOR PURCHASE OF BEANS. DISTRIBUTION IN KOLWEZI WILL BE FACILITATED BY PRESENCE OF PROFESSIONAL ICRC STAFF MEMBERS, BUT LOCAL BUSINESSMEN HAVE ALREADY REPORTED THAT FAZ MILITARY PERSONNEL HAVE CALLED UPON RECIPIENTS OF RELIEF GOODS IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A SHARE.

4. NO INCIDENTS REPORTED IN OTHER SHABAN TOWNS OVER THE WEEKEND. ON EVENING OF JUNE 13, HOWEVER A GROUP
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OF ZAIRIAN SOLDIERS BROKE INTO CONVENT IMKLIKASI AND RAPED A GERMAN NUN BETWEEN FIVE AND TEN TIMES. NUN IS PRESENTLY HOSPITALIZED IN LIKASI. GERMAN HONORARY CONSUL IS REQUESTING STRONG PROTEST FROM HIS EMBASSY.

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